

**REMARKS/ARGUMENT**

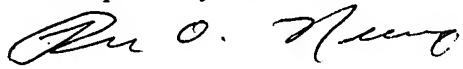
Claims 7-9 stand allowed.

Applicant has amended Claim 10 better to define the claimed invention and overcome the objection. As such, Claims 10-15 stand allowable.

Applicant has amended "storage medium" in Claim 1 to instead be --apparatus--. As a result, the 35 U.S.C. 101 rejection of Claim 1 is overcome and Claims 1-6 stand allowable.

Claims 7-9 stand allowed. Claims 10-15 have been amended to overcome the objection. Similarly, Claims 1-6 have been amended to overcome the 35 U.S.C. 101 rejection. Applicant respectfully request allowance of the application as the earliest possible date.

Respectfully submitted,



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